My dear Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 29th August 1925, regarding the acceptance of Address and Caskets by the Dewan of Mysore.

His Highness approves of the amendment proposed to be embodied in the Rules for the conduct of Public Servants.

Your interpretation of the Rules so far as the Dewan is concerned does not seem to be quite correct. Rule permits the Dewan to accept addresses but no mention, you will obeerve, is made of Caskets which one would naturally think come under sub.... which prohibits acceptance of any gifts of value by public servants. His Highness has no objection, however, to the acceptance of gifts of comparatively little value such as trowels and keys. In discussing the general question, a reference to the Vokkaligar Sangha, more especially as there were certain features in it which were objectionable from the public standpoint. A rule may now be issued to the effect that complimentary addresses should not be accepted without the previous permission of His Highness.

I do not know why you should have thought it necessary to make a reference to me personally in connection with the Vokkaligar Sangha Entertainment. Apart from the fact that it was hardly possible for me

to interfere at that late stage when invitations had been issued, I ~~disclaim all responsibility in such matters~~.

Yours ~~sincerely~~,

Rajamantra Dhurina

Sir Albion Banerji, Kt., C.S.I., C.I.E.,

Mysore.